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STATE PLAN MATERIAL****FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION**

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HAWAII

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7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:

a. FFY 2001 \$ 231,795  
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10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement

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12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:



13. TYPED NAME:

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14. TITLE:

Director

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

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January 1, 2001

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:



21. TYPED NAME:

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22. TITLE:

Associate Regional Administrator

23. REMARKS:

**D. DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO THE PROSPECTIVE RATE SYSTEM**

The following definitions shall apply for purpose of calculating prospective payment rates and adjustments for acute inpatient services:

1. "Acuity Level A" means that the Department has applied its standards of medical necessity and determined that the Resident requires a level of medical care from a Nursing Facility relatively lower than Acuity Level C. Prior to October 1, 1990, that level of care was appropriately obtained from an ICF.
2. "Acuity Level C" means that the Department has applied its standards of medical necessity and determined that the Resident requires a level of medical care from a Nursing Facility relatively higher than Acuity Level A. Prior to October 1, 1990, that level of care was appropriately obtained from an SNF.
3. "Adjustments" mean all adjustments to the Basic Per Diem, Basic Per Discharge and All-Inclusive Rates and/or the Capital Payments that are defined in this Plan and that are appropriate for a particular Provider. Those adjustments may include the ROE/GET Adjustment, the Medical Education Adjustment, and/or the Severity and Case Mix Adjustment.
4. "All-Inclusive Rates" means the separate per diem rates that are paid to Classification I and IV facilities for psychiatric and nonpsychiatric cases, and the per diem rates that are paid to Classification II and III facilities for psychiatric cases only. The All-Inclusive Rates are calculated to include reimbursement for both routine and ancillary costs.
5. "Ancillary Services" means diagnostic or therapeutic services performed by specific facility departments as distinguished from general or routine patient care such as room and board. Ancillary services generally are those special services for which charges are customarily made in addition to routine charges, and they include such services as laboratory, radiology, surgical services, etc.
6. "Base Year" means the State fiscal year used for initial calculation and recalculation of prospective payment rates. The Base Year shall be the most recent State fiscal year or years for which complete, finally-settled financial data is available. Base Year data shall be supplemented with finally-settled cost data from previous years, if it is determined that extraordinary costs occurred in the most recent, finally-settled cost report.

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- a. The patient is formally released from the hospital.
  - b. The patient is transferred to an out-of-state hospital.
  - c. The patient is transferred to a long-term care level or facility.
  - d. The patient dies while hospitalized.
  - e. The patient signs out against medical advice.
  - f. In the case of a delivery where the mother and baby are discharged at the same time, the mother and her baby shall be considered two discharges for payment purposes. In cases of multiple births, each baby will be considered a separate discharge.
  - g. A transfer shall be considered discharge for billing purposes but shall not be reimbursed as a full discharge except as specified in Section IV.B.6.a.
15. "Federal PPS" means the prospective payment system based upon diagnostic related groups ("DRGs") used by the Medicare program under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act to pay some hospitals for services delivered to Medicare beneficiaries.
16. "Inflation Factor" means the estimate of inflation in the costs of providing hospital inpatient services for a particular period as estimated in the DRI McGraw-Hill Health Care Costs: National Forecast Tables, PPS-Type Hospital Market Basket, or its successor.
17. "Inpatient" means a patient who is admitted to an acute care facility on the recommendation of a physician or dentist and who is receiving room, board, and other inpatient services in the hospital at least overnight, and requires services that are determined by the State to be medically necessary. A patient who is admitted to an acute care facility and expires while in the facility shall be considered an inpatient admission

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fiscal year beginning July 1, 1994, the Outlier Threshold is \$53,000.

25. "Outpatient" means a patient who receives outpatient services at a hospital which is not providing the patient with room and board and other inpatient services at least overnight. Outpatient includes a patient admitted as an inpatient whose inpatient stay is not overnight, except in cases where the patient expires in the facility.
26. "PPS" means the prospective payment system that is established by this Plan.
27. "Plan" means this document.
28. "Proprietary Provider" means a Provider that is organized as a for-profit entity and is subject to state general excise and federal income taxes.
29. "Provider" means a qualified and eligible facility that contracts with the Department to provide institutional acute care services to eligible individuals.
30. "Rebasing" means calculating the Basic PPS Rates by reference to a new Base Year and new Base Year Cost Reports.
31. "ROE/GET Adjustment" means the adjustment to the All-Inclusive, Basic Per Diem and Basic Per Discharge Rates to provide Medicaid's fair share of a return on the investment that a Proprietary Provider has made in its facility and for Medicaid's fair share of the general excise taxes that it pays the State of Hawaii, as calculated under this Plan.
32. "Routine services" means daily bedside care, such as room and board, serving and feeding patients, monitoring life signs, cleaning wounds, bathing, etc.
33. "Severity and Case Mix Adjustment" means an increase of 2% to the All-Inclusive Rate of the Classification IV facility.

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2. Facility classification changes shall only be recognized at the time of a Rebasing. If a facility changes classification in accordance with the definitions above, then rates established under this Plan shall continue to apply until the Rebasing. A facility that adds an approved intern and resident teaching program, however, may seek rate reconsideration under Section V.C.1.c.

C. SERVICE CATEGORY DESIGNATIONS

1. Services provided by acute inpatient facilities shall be classified into four mutually exclusive categories:
  - a. Maternity - An inpatient stay which results in a delivery with a maternity principal or secondary diagnosis code;
  - b. Surgical - An inpatient stay with the following characteristics:
    - (1) the claim has not been classified as a maternity claim;
    - (2) the claim includes a surgical code that is considered to be an operating room procedure in the latest and most current version of the International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM); and
    - (3) the claim includes either:
      - (a) a surgical date; or
      - (b) an operating room charge.
  - c. Psychiatric - An inpatient stay with a primary psychiatric principal diagnosis code and with no operating room charge; or
  - d. Medical - An inpatient stay not classified into one of the above three service categories.

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may settle tentatively on the Capital Related Costs.

3. For Proprietary Providers, the ROE Adjustment, which represents a hospital's percentage of return on equity received in the Base Year under Medicare cost reimbursement principles, shall be determined as follows:
  - a. Divide the total allowed Medicaid inpatient return on equity amounts by allowed Medicaid inpatient total costs; and
  - b. The results shall be added to 1.00 to obtain the return on equity adjustment factor.
4. All Providers that participate in an approved teaching program shall receive the Medical Education Adjustment, calculated as follows:
  - a. Divide allowed Medicaid inpatient medical education costs by total allowed Medicaid inpatient total costs; and
  - b. The result shall be added to 1.00 to obtain the medical education adjustment factor.
  - c. For New Providers, the medical education factor shall be determined as part of the rate reconsideration process as authorized in Section V.C.1.c.

E. FINAL PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT CALCULATIONS

1. Based on the PPS rates as adjusted in Section III.D. above and inflated in Section III.G. below, a facility's payment for each inpatient stay in each classification shall be calculated as follows:
  - a. For psychiatric discharges, multiply the Total All-Inclusive Rate for a psychiatric discharge by the number of days of the psychiatric inpatient stay. The result shall be the payment for a psychiatric discharge;

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by dividing total nonpsychiatric costs, excluding Capital Related Costs, for the hospital by nonpsychiatric Medicaid patient days.

- d. The facility specific factors shall be computed or reimbursed as defined in Section III. D.

G. ADJUSTMENT TO BASE YEAR COSTS FOR INFLATION

Cost increases due to varying fiscal year ends and inflation shall be recognized for purposes of establishing prospective payment rates in accordance with the following general methodology.

1. Base year facility-specific costs shall be standardized to remove the effects caused by varying fiscal year ends of the facility. This shall be accomplished by dividing the Inflation Factor for the Base Year, as determined in accordance with Section II.A.3. by 12 and multiplying this result by the number of months between the hospital's Base Year fiscal year end and June 30 of each year. This result shall be added to 1.00 to yield an inflation adjustment factor which shall then be multiplied by the facility-specific costs.
2. Cost increases due to inflation which occurred from the Base Year shall utilize the inflation factor specified in Section II.A.3.
3. For years in which the Department does not Rebase the PPS rates, cost increases due to inflation shall be recognized by multiplying the Total All-Inclusive, Total Per Diem and Total Per Discharge Rates in effect for the fiscal year by one plus the Inflation Factor for the following fiscal year. To insure the prospective nature of the PPS, the inflation factor shall not be retroactively adjusted nor modified, except as noted below.
4. For years in which the Department does not Rebase and in which the Inflation Factor for the prior year was reduced pursuant to Section III.G.6.,

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its classification times the following New provider adjustment factor:

- a. First Operating Year 150%;
  - b. Second Operating Year 140%;
  - c. Third Operating Year 130%; and
  - d. Fourth Operating Year  
and thereafter 125%.
  - e. If a facility's Operating Year does not coincide with the PPS fiscal year, then the New Provider's rates shall be prorated based on the PPS fiscal year. For example, a New Provider that begins its First Operating Year on January 1 would receive 145% of the statewide weighted average payment rates for its classification for the entire PPS fiscal year that begins on the immediately following July 1.
2. Capital Related Costs shall be reimbursed as defined in Section III.D.2 and 3.
  3. For New Providers that are also Proprietary Providers, the PPS rates shall also be adjusted by ROE and GET Adjustments, (Section III.D.3.). Those factors shall be based on projected costs and receipts and calculated as defined in the Plan.
  4. A New Provider may seek rate reconsideration under Section V.C.1.c if it adds an approved intern and resident teaching program.
  5. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Provider that begins operations after January 1, 1993, shall receive the statewide weighted average per diem and per discharge rates for its classification.
  6. A New Provider shall have its PPS rates determined under this section until a Rebasing occurs that identifies a Base Year in which the New Provider has a cost report that reflects a full twelve months of operations. Thereafter, its PPS rates

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or due to appeals of audit and adjustment made to costs reported on the based year cost report, shall not result in changes to the rate ceiling or classification group.

2. Base Year costs shall be adjusted to reflect the audit and appeal decisions, and the facility's specific prospective rates (including the impact of all adjustment factors) and reimbursement for Capital Related Costs rate shall be recalculated, effective the first day of the initial rate year in which those costs were used to compute the PPS rate, based on the adjusted Base Year cost, as long as the rate ceilings are not exceeded.

**B. REBASING THE PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT RATES**

The Department shall perform a Rebasing periodically so that a Provider shall not have its Basic per Diem and Per Discharge Rates calculated by reference to the same Base Year for more than eight state fiscal years; provided, however, that the duty to Rebase shall be suspended during the period that the 1115 research and demonstration waiver is in existence and for one state fiscal year thereafter.

**C. REQUESTS FOR RATE RECONSIDERATION**

1. Acute care providers shall have the right to request a rate reconsideration if one of the following conditions has occurred since the Base Year:
  - a. Extraordinary circumstances, including but not limited to acts of God, changes in life and safety code requirements, changes in Licensure law, rules or regulations, significant changes in case mix or the nature of service, or addition or new services occurring subsequent to the Base Year. Mere inflation of costs, absent extraordinary circumstances, shall not be grounds for rate reconsideration.
  - b. Reduction in Medicaid average length of stay within a facility which produced a decrease in the average cost per discharge but an increase in the average cost per day. This paragraph shall not include reductions in average length of stay resulting from a change in case mix. The rate reconsideration.

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